

**NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING**

**10:00 AM, Tuesday, January 17, 2017
North Plains Water Conservation Center
6045 County Road E., Etter, Texas**

(Approximately 9 miles north of Dumas Texas east of Highway 287)

Call Meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum.

Opening Prayer

Pledge

1. Public Comment

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Review and approval of minutes of the board meetings held as follows:
 - Holiday Party – December 8, 2016
 - Regular Board Meeting – December 13, 2016
- b. Review and approval of district expenditures for December 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
- c. Consider approval of payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for legal services.
- d. Consider approval of the 2016 Tax Roll for Sherman County, Texas.
- e. Consider resolution regarding optional personal property taxation in 2017 for the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District to property owners in Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore and Hutchinson Counties, Texas.
- f. Consider Homestead Exemptions for 2017.

3. Action Agenda

- a. Receive report regarding agriculture water conservation demonstration programs.
- b. Receive report regarding groundwater production reporting for 2016.
- c. Consider approval of Water Well Permits as active and complete wells.
- d. Discuss Revision of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Enabling Legislation by the Texas Legislative Council.
- e. Consider extension of the Crop Production Demonstration Agreement between the District, Crop Production Services, and Spain Farms.
- f. Review and consider approval of district's annual financial report for the year ended September 30, 2016, from Coy Barton, CPA.
- g. Review and consider approval of letter of engagement for audit and non-audit services to be performed by Coy Barton, CPA for the year ended September 30, 2017.
- h. Review and consider approval of payment to Coy Barton, CPA for auditing services and preparation of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2016.

- i. Receive report and consider action related to the upcoming 85th legislative session
- j. Consider compliance matters before the District.
- k. Closed Session

The Board of Directors of the district may go into a closed session under the authority of the Government Code, Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act, to discuss:

- i) Consultation with Attorney – Attorney/Client Privileged Consultations (§ 551.071).
 - ii) Consultation with legal counsel regarding pending compliance matters and attorney-client privileged communications exempt from the Open Meetings Act pursuant to § 551.071 of the Government Code.
- l. Consider action regarding recommendation(s) on matters discussed in closed session.

4. Discussion Agenda

- a. District director reports regarding meetings and/or seminars attended, weather conditions and economic development in each Director's precinct.
- b. Committee Reports
- c. General Manager's Report
 - i) Upcoming meetings and conferences.
 - ii) General Manager's Activity Summary
 - iii) Permits Issued in December 2016
 - iv) District Activity Summary

5. Discuss Items for Future Board Meeting Agendas and Set Next Meeting Date and Time.

6. Adjournment.

At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District, is a true and correct copy of said Notice; and that I posted a true and correct copy at a place convenient to the public at the District office, at 603 East First, Dumas, Texas, and the Notice was posted on January 12, 2017, on or before 5:00 pm and will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours immediately preceding the day of said Meeting; a true and correct copy of the Notice was furnished to each county clerk of the county or counties in which the above District is located.

Additionally, I certify that the above Notice of Meeting was furnished to the Secretary of State on or before 5:00 pm January 12, 2017.

Dated this the 12th day of January, 2017

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

By: _____

Kristen Lane, Executive Assistant